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Sir:

Applicant hereby requests that the period to take action in the above-captioned application be extended by <u>2 months</u> pursuant to the provisions of 37 C.F.R. 1.136(a).

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge the requisite fee of \$410.00 in payment of the extension fee to the deposit account of the undersigned. (Deposit Account No. 05-1323 -- Docket #1748X/49774). A duplicate copy of this letter is attached.

Respectfully submitted,

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